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TITLE OF INVENTION: OPTICAL SWITCH DEVICE

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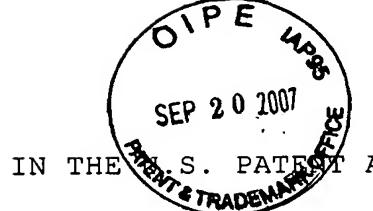
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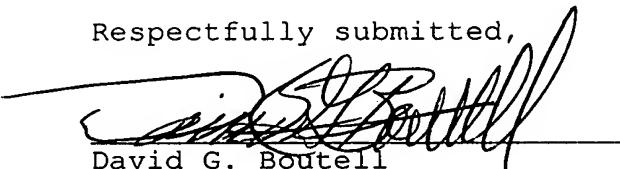
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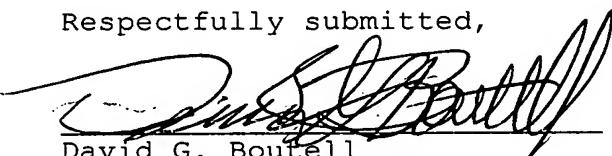
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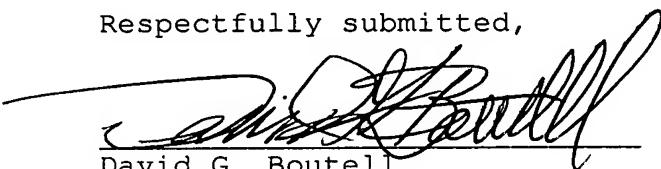
Sir:

In the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, the Examiner states that the prior art of record fails to disclose or reasonably suggest a clamping mechanism with a pushing member arranged in a configuration as presented in the independent claims where the pushing member functions to move the movable member into a switched and unswitched state in addition to the accompanying features of the independent claim and the intervening claims.

Applicants would hereby like to clarify that the limitation "the pushing member functions to move the movable member into a switched and unswitched state" is not found in any of the allowed claims. Instead, independent claim 1 includes the language "a pushing member for switching between a clamped state in which the movable member is pressed along the Y direction and fixed to the fixed-side member, and an unclamped state in which the pressing of the movable member

along the Y direction is released". Independent claim 8 requires "a clamp mechanism provided with a pushing member for switching between a clamped state in which the movable member is pressed and fixed to the fixed-side member, and an unclamped state in which the movable member is released".

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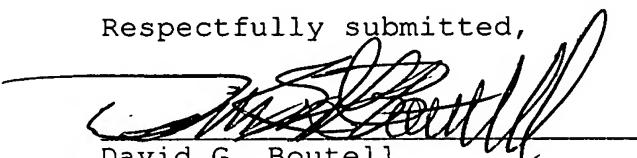
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